

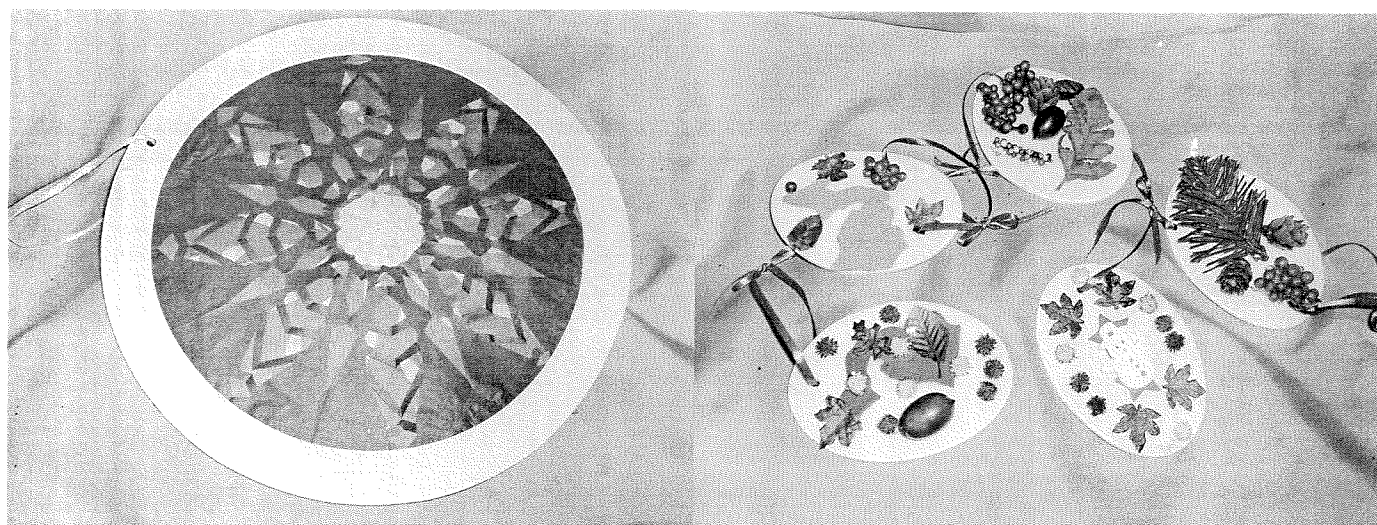
One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions

Ann Arbor Area Home Scholars

Lead teacher: Michelle Deatrick

Ann Arbor, MI

Grades Kindergarten - 12th



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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: AARON
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: Grade 9, Age 14
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

My Grandfather's house in Ann Arbor, Michigan has been in my family since my Mom was a child. Before my Grandmother's death, many Holiday gatherings were held there.

Now that only my granpa and his dog live there we have him over on the holidays as our new tradition. We still visit him, walk his property, and admire the nature, an Ongoing Tradition. I particularly enjoy climbing trees.

My Grandfather has many antiques, and my family and I enjoy many historic objects.

The undisturbed nature and the antiques give us a feel for history we truly enjoy.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Jason
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 9th, 15
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

Recently, I read "The Pathfinder", a book written by James Fenimore Cooper. I learned many things about Michigan's heritage. During the time the book takes place, the people near Lake Erie are having trouble with the Indians, and the French. Many struggles took place, and many losses were inflicted, but in the end, the American settlers (and the army) proved fortunate. It is very interesting, and very strange in a way that this happened in Michigan. I'm very proud to live in a state where so much has happened in the past, to make it the state it is now.

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Student's First Name Only: Alan
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 4th grade, 9
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

I love Michigan because I celebrate the
Seasons and the holidays with my family.
We travel to Irons and see many wild life
and watch the leaves change colors. I love
to swim in Lake Michigan. I love
the winter to have snowball fights.
But most of all, I love Christmas with my
family in Michigan!

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Alex
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 10 years old, 4th grade
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

that there are many traditions. Some are old and some are new. Some of my favorite traditions are putting up the Christmas tree, making ornaments and spending time with my family.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: ALEXANDER
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: GR. 5 AGE 10
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

about Wycinanki (aka,
Polish Paper cutting).

This was very interes-
ting because I am half
Polish. Wycinanki is a kind
of Polish paper cutting in
which the makers work
may include thing such as,
flowers, grass, and water.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Amelia

School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS

School District: ANN ARBOR

Grade and Age: 6, Age 11

Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned..

Greenfield Village and my family's traditions are a big part of Michigan's history. Greenfield Village is in the area of Henry Ford museum, and Henry Ford is the creator of Ford Motor Co.

My Granddad used to work at Ford, and my dad works there now. Our family tradition of going to Greenfield Village has been around for generations.

When my mom was a child, my granddad took my mom with him to the spring and fall festivals there. She rode his high-wheel bikes in the potholes, while he took his steam engines. We like to watch the home movies! Amelia.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: April
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 9th grade, 13
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

The one thing I learned about Michigan is
the 5 great lakes. Also known as HOMES.

Huron, Ontario, Michigan, Erie, and Superior is what
we call them. Lake Michigan is very fun because
my grandparents own a cottage about an hour from
there. In the summer time, we swim and lay on
the warm sand and just let the day pass away.

I also love Michigan because of the seasons.

Winter, Spring, Summer, and fall are the seasons....
and we will always have them.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Audrey
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 1st grade 6 yrs old
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

1) I LIKE CHRISTMAS BECUS WE DECORATE the tree

2) I LOVE PLAYING IN THE SNOW

3) I LIKE + HAKES GIVEING BECUS WE GOT GRANDMA AND RAX

4) I LOVE TUPING IN OUR LEAF PILE'S

Jumping



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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Ben
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 7th, 12 yrs.
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

that traditions are very
important. they are important because
you have fun, get to spend time with
your family and enjoy the season.
My favorite tradition is going to Nana's
house on Christmas Day.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Catherine
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 8, 3rd grade
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

Not everybody celebrates Christmas like
my family does. ~~Some~~ In fact, some
people don't even celebrate Christ-
mas at all. My family celebrates
Christmas with a tree, Presents,
and Christmas Songs. In Michigan
there are many different Traditions.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: DDMON
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 7, 2nd grade
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

to play traditional christmas
carols on my violin like
"Jingle Bells" and "Jolly
Old St. Nicholas."

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Devyn
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 8th 13 years old
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

That with in the homeschool group I'm involved, I feel comfortable and accepted my ideas are accepted and respected, I've learned to accommodate my style of doing things to include other people's different levels of ability and age. Other families have many traditions, Our family is Christian and my favorite family tradition is playing in the snow.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: ELIZABETH
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: GRADE 11 AGE 16
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

... That wycinanki is a traditional Polish art form and that there are more Polish people in Michigan than I previously thought. Wycinanki, which involves a series of folds and cuts in special paper, can be compared to origami in that ~~the~~ the result is both beautiful and delicate. A good deal of wycinanki is bilaterally symmetrical, but the type that we did was radially symmetrical.

A lot of Polish immigrants settled in Michigan after they immigrated from Europe, and many people of Polish ancestry still live here today. My family on my father's side is almost entirely Polish, and although only now have we ^{come} ~~come~~ to Michigan, our family is very proud to be a part of Michigan's diverse culture.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Eric
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 4th 9 yrs.
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

It's very important for families to share traditions so kids can share them when they grow up with their kids.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: HADEN
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: gr 2nd Age 9
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

Some of my favorite
traditions are:
1 playing in the snow.
2 being with family.
3 opening presents.
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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Hillary
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: Grade 10, 15 yrs.
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

Tradition is important for family and friends, to remember past relatives and family history.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Jacob
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: Grade 5 Age 10
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

that lots of people celebrate
lots of different traditions.
Some are old and some are
new, but all are important.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Kai
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: Kindergarten age 5
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

Michigan is a State. Our Governor
is a woman. It snows in
Michigan, but doesn't snow in
Florida.

I like to put a star on
top of our Christmas tree.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Katiana
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 3rd 8
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

The capitol city of Michigan is
Lansing.

Each year I learn traditional
Christmas music on the piano and
for voice. This year I'm learning
Christmas music on the violin. Every year
we perform a Christmas concert for
family members, this year we are
going to perform at a church.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: KATRINA
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 1st - 7 years
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

One of my own traditions is to go to my
Grandpa's house. We walk through
his fields looking for bitas, deer,
other wildlife, and wild black
rasberries. I learned that the state of
Michigan has a lot of wildlife, the
birds are my favorite kind of animal.
I look way up in the sky and trees and
look for finches, cardinals, hawks,
blue jays, owls, and any other kind of bird.
I like to pick black raspberries, they grow in
many parts of Michigan. Picking them
every year is a family
tradition. Katrina

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Layth
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: boys, 1st grade
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

I have traditions....

I have a cookie decorating
party every year with my family
at christmas-time.

we dress up at Halloween and
go trick or treating with our family.

Every Summer we celebrate 4th
of July with Fireworks.

LAYTH

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Lydia
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 5th Grade, 10 years old.
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

Christmas is a time to celebrate all traditions.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Mara
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: Grade 9, Age 14
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

It's fun to learn
about the traditions
of others!

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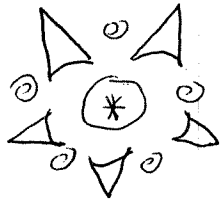
Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Melissa
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 9th, 14 yrs.
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

The Polish used thin paper to make beautiful
designs.



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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Mohan
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 4th grade 9 years
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

Two peninsulas, two lakes,
four seasons
a river, and people from
every corner in the world
make Michigan truly special.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Natalie
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 3rd, 8 years old
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

Look around and admire
whoever you see.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Nathaniel
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 3rd grade age 8
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

One of my family's new traditions is
to go out and cut down our
own Christmas tree.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Nicholas
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 7th grade age 12
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

It is very respectful and educational to learn others ideas. Sharing in other's cultures brings connection and understanding of others.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: SADIE
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 3rd grade, Age 8
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

"It's fun to learn about different
cultures."

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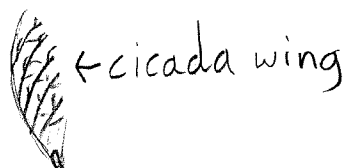
Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Shelby
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 5, 11 yrs. old
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

During this art project I discovered that in Michigan cicadas only are found in the lower part of the lower peninsula. I also discovered that cicada wings make good trees. When the last batch of cicadas came three years ago I collected their wings. I wanted to show other people their beauty and this was the perfect opportunity. It was a lot of fun to participate. I hope to do it again next year.



Shelby, Agell, grade: 5th

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Student's First Name Only: Thomas
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 11 y.o., 6th Grade
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

I learned that, in Michigan, there are many people. With many people, come many traditions. I celebrate many holidays: Halloween, Thanksgiving, Easter, Christmas, and many more.

Some people don't celebrate Christmas and Halloween. This shows that people have many traditions.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Trent
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 8th 13yrs
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

that even though we may have different traditions and beliefs, we are all ultimately the same when it comes down to the core of what really matters.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: WOUTER
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 4^m grade, 9 years
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
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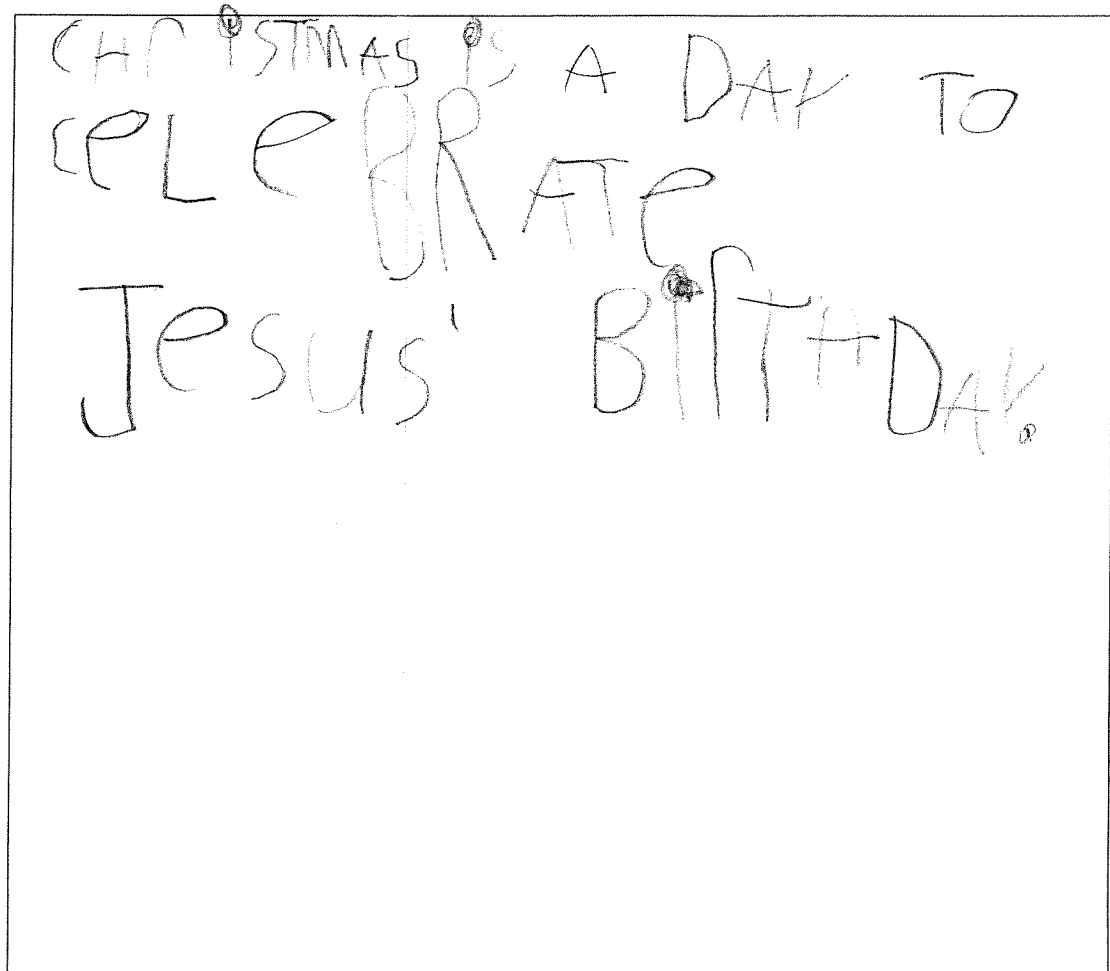
There is place for
everyone in comfort of
a mitten.

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Student's First Name Only: Zachary
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 1st grade age 6
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

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I learned...**



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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: ZACHARY
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 5th 10
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...

I think it's cool that people have different traditions. Even though my friends and I have different traditions we still like a lot of the same things.

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Learning Statement

Student's First Name Only: Zeid
School: ANN ARBOR AREA HOME SCHOLARS
School District: ANN ARBOR
Grade and Age: 3rd grade, 8 year old
Lead Teacher: MICHELLE DEATRICK

LEARNING STATEMENT

**While working on "One Michigan: Celebrating Many Traditions,"
I learned...**

In the north of Michigan
there is a festival celebrating
the cherry harvest. They
have a cherry-pit spitting
contest. Some winners spit
their pits more than 90
feet.

zeid